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SUBJECT: NORTHERN IRELAND DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT  
GIVEN TO UK EMBASSY OFFICERS

1. HEAD OF CHANCERY BRITISH EMBASSY RUSSELL WAS GIVEN  
TEXT OF DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT ON NORTHERN IRELAND  
BY NE DIRECTOR FUNSETH THIS AFTERNOON. FUNSETH STRESSED  
THAT CAREFUL CONSIDERATION HAD BEEN GIVEN TO THE BRITISH  
SUGGESTIONS AT HIGH LEVELS OF THE DEPARTMENT. IN SEVERAL  
CASES WE HAD BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMODATE THEIR WISHES BUT ON  
THE QUESTION OF THE TIMING OF INVESTMENT ENCOURAGEMENT WE  
WERE NOT ABLE TO REVISE THE LANGUAGE TO MEET THEIR PREFER-  
ENCES; THE REASON FOR THIS BEING THE STRONG FEELINGS OF  
THE INTERESTED CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS WHO MIGHT EVEN WITH-  
DRAW THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE STATEMENT IF THE "INDUCEMENT"  
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ASPECT WERE NOT INCLUDED. FUNSETH SAID WE FEEL IT IS A  
POSITIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE STATEMENT AND WE HOPE IT WILL BE  
HELPFUL HERE AND TO HMG. THE TIMING OF ITS ISSUANCE WOULD  
BE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN AUGUST 16 AND LABOR DAY. FUNSETH  
STRESSED THE SENSITIVE NATURE OF THE STATEMENT AT THIS  
POINT PRIOR TO ITS ISSUANCE AND SAID ANOTHER ROUND OF PRESS  
SPECULATION WOULD NOT BE HELPFUL.

2. RUSSELL SAID HE COULD SEE THAT WE HAD TRIED TO MEET  
MANY OF THEIR SUGGESTIONS. HE SAID THE EMBASSY WAS VERY  
MUCH AWARE AND HAD POINTED OUT THE NEED TO KEEP THE  
CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS OPERATING ALONG CONSTRUCTIVE LINES  
ON THIS ISSUE. HE SAID THIS POINT WOULD BE MADE AGAIN  
AND THAT THE STATEMENT WOULD BE SENT BACK TO LONDON WITH  
"A FAIR WIND FROM THE EMBASSY." CHRISTOPHER

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